

Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

28th June 2024

We are moving into the last weeks of the year and my sympathies start to go out to parents who are having to juggle the many demands of home and school life. This is the busiest time of the year as we try to take advantage of the many opportunities available and teachers try to use the good weather to get the children out and about. Today is a typical day with Y5 going to the Horniman Museum in Dulwich to look at the Benin art work (and have a workshop about the Benin Empire) whilst the Y4 children are in Battersea Park, at a whole day cricket festival. Both these trips build on class work in History and PE respectively.

With my current commitments across three schools, it is also the time of year when I start to lose track of where I am, and what event I should be at. This last week will have seen two multicultural events and one Summer Fair, and with three productions and Leaver's Masses in the coming weeks, I ask parents' forgiveness if I am not always visible.

Sacred Heart Multicultural Evening

Friday night was a great success. The sun shone and staff and families mingled enjoying the occasion.

I'm grateful to all those parents who provided food especially when it is so expensive and those staff, parents and friends who provided the wonderful face painting, art and sport activities.

Special praise to the band and the choir who performed two nights in a row, and to Shirley for the hours she put in and the direction she gave to staff!



Music Concert Monday 1st July

We look forward to showcasing the pupils' many musical talents at the concert on Monday. All those playing music in some way will be involved and hopefully the concert will inspire the children to practice even harder in the coming weeks and through the summer break. Here are the classical guitarists busy preparing!



Apple Showcase

11th July 10.30am

All parents are invited to a major event at the Battersea Arts Centre. This showcase occasion will bring together the many schools that followed Sacred Heart and St Mary's in the collaboration with the tech giant -Apple. The children from Sacred Heart will present their learning from the project and will be available to speak to guests about their IT projects. Senior executives from the company and Councillors will also be present. It should be an interesting day for anyone in the area who wants to visit.



Catholic Life of the School

This weekend we celebrate the feast of the two great saints who helped spread throughout the world -St Peter and St Paul. Given this Holyday falls on the weekend children should attend Mass with their parents.

The Wednesday word is **FAITH**

"The family is the place where parents become their children's first teachers in the faith. How beautiful it is to support each other in this wonderful journey of faith!" Pope Francis

School Street - A Reminder to Parents

The area outside the school in Cabul Rd has been designated a 'School Street' before and after school. The intention is to make the space safer and calmer for children queuing for the KS1 gate in the mornings. However, the road is still a space for non-car-based traffic (bikes, electric scooters etc.) and it only extends to the barrier. As you know, drop-off in the mornings are particularly busy, with bagels being served and children and parents queuing. Parents are responsible for supervising their children and ensuring a safe, calm entry into school. For their own safety, it is vital that the children are aware that it is still a road, and not a play-ground. Thank you for your continued support.

Year 3 Trip to Hampton Court

Year 3 had a wonderful day at Hampton Court last week.

The weather was glorious, the palace looked amazing and the children impressed all the adults with their historical knowledge.

The trip included a workshop where the children had to look at various secondary sources and decide what kind of a king Henry really was, before presenting their findings to the rest of the class.



Breakfast Club Applications

Further to the email sent out on June 5th, if you would like your child/ren to attend Breakfast Club from September 2024, please use the link below:

<https://forms.gle/euv95ujJMxuJm8CD8>

The DEADLINE for completion is Monday 15th July 2024 at 12 noon.

This form must be completed even if your child currently attends Breakfast Club and will continue to do so in September.

Please note that contracted days are charged for if your child is absent from school due to illness or medical appointments. Breakfast Club will not be charged if your child has not attended due to an Inset day or school event/closure etc.

Clubs run by school, are run not for profit, and many of them are in fact subsidised by the school. Breakfast Club fees are a contribution towards the overall running costs of this service. We feel that this still represents excellent value for money.

If you have any questions, please contact the school office on admin@sacredheart-battersea.wandsworth.sch.uk.



Children from the Battersea schools waiting patiently for the Cricket Festival to start.

Summer Term Key Dates

Date	Event
2 nd July	Y2 trip to Wisley
3 rd July	Y4 trip to Wisley
9 th July	Y3/4 Sports Day at the Latchmere - morning
9 th July	Y5/6 Sports Day at the Latchmere – afternoon
11 th July	EYFS end of year service for all children and parents 9.30am
16 th July	Reception and KS1 Sports Day - morning
17 th July	Y6 performance (time TBC)
22 nd July	Y6 Leavers mass and party 4.00 - 7.00pm
23 rd July	Y6 leave and clapping out ceremony at 3pm
24 th July	Last day - School closes at 1.30pm



Could YOU be a Reading Volunteer?



Can you spare an hour a week to help children at Sacred Heart School who find reading difficult?

Find out more and apply online at
www.learn2love2read.org.uk
or scan the QR code below:



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ANY QUESTIONS?
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